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**Subject:** FOIA 2020-000588 DesRoches - Request may be requesting some deliberative material - Outside names not EPA provided - Need advice to pursue response

The request is as follows:

Requesting all processing notes and internal communications regarding FOIA request: EPA-HQ-2016-002082, including any communications regarding the request between the EPA FOIA office and any other public agency, and any communications between the EPA FOIA office and any external private company or person, including employees or representatives of "Monsanto", "Solutia", and "Pharmacia". [Clarification on November 20, 2019]: I'm looking for all email communications from the date of the filing of EPA-HQ-2016-002082 (REQUEST), which was December 14, 2015, to the date the request was closed out by the EPA, which was September 5, 2019, in which it was indicated that there were no responsive records to EPA-HQ-2016-002082. All internal and external email communications that referenced the Request would be responsive to this new records request.

This requester is asking for both internal communication and outside communications regarding a previous FOIA response related to Monsanto, Solutia and Pharmacia where it was determined that we did not have any responsive material. I think we need to get advice from OGC or other EPA legal counsel. I don't really know where to start on such a request. If we did an eDiscovery search what material may be found is most likely deliberative.

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